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A Walk Through the Fourth of July The Fireworks Displays-

by David Morse

man with expanding middle and contracting hair, a fortyish man, is grumb-ling, "How come I gotta car-ry everything?" His fist grips the loops of a weighty plastic grocery sack. A slender, bounding boy, a nineish boy, responds authoritatively, "'Cause you got the strongest arms." They are on the long trek down the thickly forested path that runs around Greenbelt Lake. This little colloquy explains much of what is to come. The Fourth of July is under the secret governance of children. Adults are brought along to do the heavy lifting.

The conspirators are skipping back and forth along the lake path, hosts of them. They have been waiting quietly for their time, as cockroaches await lights out in the kitchen. They are out in force, picking up rocks, chasing the ducks leaping down the embankment into the creek bed, sauntering off into the brush, ignoring the cries of consternation in their wake. Their voices squeak with anticipation. They stream forward exultantly like an army that has put the enemy to rout. Their parents groan under their burdens like refugees.

Some of the smaller children are being conveyed like sultans in strollers and little red wagons. The wheels rumble deeply like oxcarts. Occasionally the oxen low softly on the steeper slopes.

As the trek progresses, the forest is thinned by scrubby, sumpy grass, and the lake comes into view through the trees. Fireflies begin to glow in the spreading dusk. Huge burgers packed with onions and green peppers smoke on a grill, the dripping fat igniting tongues of flame beneath. Ducks glide lazily among the lilypads, easily evading the toddlers who, like the grouse-hunting provincial barons of Tom Jones, pursue them with drunken ahandon. They are oblivious to the intense humidity that seems to press down physically, stifling breath, as though one were trapped beneath a foundering dirigible. A slimy one.

Independent vendors line the pathway, greeting the trekkers with ice cream and garlands of fluorescent tubes as though they were returning prodigals. Under the soft green light of the trees the tubes glint like cheap jewelry. The invisible hand of the market has produced these marvels just as the time-honored sparkler fell into disrepute. The quite visible hand of a tiny but forceful girl guides a man firmly towards a tube vendor. The man is carrying an armload of blankets. Awkwardly he fishes his wallet out of a rear pocket. Parents on every side are doing the same. The cash is flowing like water. The little girl is

happy. Her father, too, inex-plicably, is happy. He is out ten bucks for some toys that will not last the night. Strange. He is grinning to beat the band. It is almost as though they were for him

Now the trekkers emerge from the trees into the open sky and vasty fields of Attick Park. It has been transformed from a pastoral meadow into a city without buildings. A broad carpet of people fills the eye. Vending booths and mobile ice cream freezers are trailing long queues like comets' tails. A green-and-white patrol car of the police department is parked incongruously on the grass. Plumes of smoke are rising from a populous hill yonder, suggesting a Piscataway Indian Village overrun by tourists. The Piscataways, of course, are long gone. A hardy band of holiday barbecuers keep up the tradi-

Beyond the smoke and the children swarming on the playground equipment, people are standing on line for the portable toilets. They look nervous. There are only emergencies here. Occasionally the air crac-kles with protests as a new arrival fails to notice the queue and heads straight for the cubicles. Nobody wants to be here, but each strenuously holds his place.

The meadow's transformation at first shocks the eye. But the Fourth of July is a transforming event. It turns the whole gritty, incessant world of time clocks and bus transfers and mortgages into a theme park. Here is where the American Dream is dreamed. The theme of this park is the hope and future of America. And indeed. everywhere in the park the hope and future of America are chasing dogs, tossing frisbees, playing boomboxes, flashing valorously down the wide dirt pathway on bikes. Or lolling on the shoulders and in the laps of their perspiring custodians. Hope's giggles and shouts rise above the hubbub like stars above the horizon. The tension is mounting pleasurably.

They are waiting for the Big

The one that combines the lights of Christmas, the pranks of Hallowe'en, the merriment of ear-splitting noises. The rockets, the pinwheels, the phosphorescent hundred-foot-wide chrysanthemums, the nocturnal delirium. That's what it's all about. And it's for them. And boy. do See WALK, page 12

Center School's Last Hurrah

by Barbara Likowski

"Rejoice!" School Board Member Suzanne Plogman told those who had come to say farewell to Center School on June 12. This is no time for nostalgia, she said. Plogman and others present emphasized that Greenbelt will have it all - a new educational facility in the north end of the city and a community center in the present building. When Center School opened its doors in 1937, it served as school, community center and meeting place for civic groups and church services. So the building will serve the community again in many of the same ways.

About 150 people, former and present students and faculty, families of students and friends, had gathered for this one last time together in what had been their school. Some had been students when the school first opened, some later and then there were students who were finishing up this last school year in the old building. Also there were proud parents, babies, toddlers, teenagers back from middle and high schools. They moved about reminiscing, comparing notes, trying to identify one another. "Remember" was frequently heard. They stopped only to listen to a brief program.

welcome by Principal After Carolyn Goff, Mayor Gil Weidenfeld brought community greetings. Plogman presented Goff with a plaque from the Prince Georges County Board of Education and a housewarming gift for the new school-a picture of the bas reliefs that grace the front of Center School.

John Maffay, who had been an early student, starting in kindergarten, told about his ex-

periences at Center, about some of his teachers and the principal, Catherine T. Reed. (Greenbelt had the first kindergarten in Prince Georges County).

Present-day staff member Anza Manning, who said she had been on the faculty the longest-over 20 years, pointed out the important things about a new school-"air conditioning, carpeting, and all on one floor!" This brought smiles and laughter from the audience.

Essay Read

Current student Heather Norden read her prize-winning essay on why Greenbelt Center Is Important to Me. Heather won the Dr. John Van Schoonhover Excellence in Writing Award for this essay.

As the brief program was ending, Goff told those present: This is your home, has been your home, so feel free to walk around." If you want to se "your room," it will be opened for you, she added. Some took her up on her offer. Others circulated through the gym and lobby.

In the gym Manning's album See SCHOOL, page 9

A Critique from on High

by James Giese

For more than five years I have watched the Greenbelt fireworks display from a suite on one of the top floors of the Greenbelt Marriott as a guest of a "wealthy" Greenbelt friend. The view overlooking the city and of the fireworks is splendid.

In addition you can see other fireworks displays, including those on the mall in Washington. Next to Greenbelt, the most prominent displays are at New Carrollton and College Park. This year. I counted nine, but others have counted as many as 11 in other years.

To some extent, I miss the crunch of the crowd, listening to the band concert before the fireworks and watching the display from Greenbelt Lake. You also miss seeing the ground displays from on high. And the thermopane sealed windows at the hotel deaden to mild thuds the sound of the exploding fire-

These deficiencies are more than offset by being with friends in a comfortable, air conditioned environment with ample food and drink and being able to monitor all the activity from observation tower-like windows. Also there is no hassle to getting there.

At the party, the first thing you do is to monitor the traffic situation. Cars are moving all over the place like little ants around an ant hill. At 7, Crescent Road is filled, as are the nearby side streets. Cars are just beginning to park on Kenilworth. A few people have taken up positions on the median of Kenilworth and the islands created by the Beltway interchange. One family has established them-selves on Ivy Lane at the service road intersection just off Kenilworth in Capitol Office Park — an excellent vantage point, by the way.

Landmarks

We checked the area for landmarks. Although slightly hazy this year, you can pick out the Washington Monument and the Capitol on the horizon to the southwest. Further to the west you can see the towers of the National Cathedral, the National Shrine and nearer to us the very prominent chapel at the university. Off in the distance are some gigantic television tow-

To the east, above Crescent Road looms the huge test facility building at Goddard. To the southeast you see Doctors Hospital, where a giant construction crane stood this year, and the Maryland Trade Center complex. The twin towers at Westchester Park are also very prominent. Next to the busy Beltway is the large, illuminated flag of Capitol Cadillac.

As dark approaches, we began seeing bright lights flash in the sky. Were they fireworks? No, it must be an airplane's landing lights. Then there was

City Shorted Rockets **Area Costs** Compared

According to Kenneth Hall, Superintendent of Operations for the Greenbelt Public Works Department, the City purchased its fireworks from the same manufacturer as was used last year when the city show re-ceived rave reviews. This year, the city was delivered 97 fewer aerial pieces than the 285 ordered. The city accordingly intends to reduce the amount of its payment to the supplier.

The city budget for fireworks is \$7.500, but the actual order, based upon bids received, was for a display costing \$7,200. A Public Works Crew fires off the display. Hall indicated that this year's program only lasted 18 minutes,, as compared to about 25 for last year's.

In comparison, the City of College Park, which has an Independence Day celebration in conjunction with the University of Maryland, with which it shares cost, paid \$10,000 for its display, according to Col-lege Park Services Director Donald Byrd. This includes the cost of a pyrotechnician to set off the display, a cost which he estimates to be ten percent of the cost of the fire-

According to Larry Pierce, City Administrator for New Carrollton, that city's fireworks were purchased from the same supplier as College Park's. However, New Carrollton only paid \$7,000, including pyrotechnicians. That city's display is fired from a field near the Baltimore-Washington Parkway on the north side of Good Luck Road, with spectators gathered across Good Luck Road at an elementary school.

Neither College Park nor Carrollton included ground display pieces in their programs. Greenbelt's program had three set pieces - a ordered but not fourth was delivered.

a bright flash close up and nearer to the ground. This was a skyrocket-one of several illegal ones that were set off in various areas away from the crowd at the lake.

First to Shoot

As 9:15 approached, everyone speculated about who would See CRITIQUE, page 5

Dream at Risk

Back in 1989, a group of people from this great city had a dream. Let's start a club where people could go, free of charge, to seek help and support in battling alcoholism, drug addiction, compulsive gambling, co-dependency, compulsive spending, overeating, and the problems related to growing up in a dysfunctional family. So they signed a lease on the basement of the Domino's Pizza building, unused and unusable at the time. They hauled out mounds of dirt, cut out and hauled off the old boiler and installed flooring and plumbing. They put up walls, painted everything, replaced the windows, and installed a furnace in the basement and an air conditioning unit on the roof. They furnished the place, obtained some coffee makers, and ran a story in the News Review. When the Greenbelt Step Club opened on February 1, 1990, it was a day of celebration as this group of people saw their dream turn into reality.

The Club is self-supporting. covering its operating expenses through dues paid by Club members. rent charged to the fellowships that have meetings there, donations by Club and fellowship members, and revenue generated by various fund raisers. Today the Step Club serves as a meeting room for 57 meetings a week of various 12-Step fellowships, as well as a safe socializing environment for people in recovery.

Unfortunately, our dream is on the verge of becoming a nightmare. The new owners of the franchise, Greenbelt Pizza, Inc. have begun eviction pro-cedures against the Club. There is a court hearing set for July 14. They claim our lease is invalid, and want to double our rent. We claim our lease is valid. and have continued to pay them in the same timely manner that we have always paid our rent. Due to our self-supporting. non-profit status, we cannot possibly continue to operate as we have and pay this kind of increase. I honestly don't know where we will come out on the technical legal issues in this case, perhaps the letter of the law will go against us. However. I am confident that on the moral, human, and community issues we are on solid ground. It nauseates me to think that some Greenbelter's life might not be saved because space is needed for supplies. I hope that in a town where people will rally to save trees, and a movie theater, they will rally to save other people.

Bucky Fitzgerald The Greenbelt Step Club Club Manager

Editor's Note: When contacted for comment, Mark Harmon of Greenbelt Pizza, Inc., the new Dominoes Pizza franchisee, said it was necessary for him to raise Greenbelt Step Club's rent since it would take about "six months to a year for the store to carry itself. The business is now one of Dominoes lowest volume he explained. adding that he did not want to "go out of business" like the previous franchisee. Harmon hoped there could be some kind of settlement with the Step Club.

Letters to the Editor

Salaries Ignored

Your editorial "Working To-gether" in the most recent issue of the News Review is the culmination of a series of articles on GHI in which history is being rewritten. If the former General Manager of GHI accepted a consultancy in the Ukraine, then he may have accepted this type of revisionist reporting. I do not!

In your editorial, you fail to mention the salary issue, and instead point the finger at a "divided board" as the cause of Mr. Colton's problems. Your allegation is unsupported and misleading. The GHI Board was divided over the salary issue. but this did not prevent it from working with Mr. Colton and carrying out its business.

The News Review's conclusion regarding the tenor of the GHI Annual Meeting is also inaccurate, as pointed out in Ruth Kastner's letter ("You Goofed Badly' on June 3). What I witnessed at the meeting was neither acrimonious nor arrogant. but active democracy, of which Greenbelt has a proud tradition. The issue that dominated the meeting was why the GHI Board did not implement the resolution passed at the previous membership meeting, which directed the salaries of GHI employees be revealed. The News Review trivializes the debate over this issue by referring to it as an "unpleas-ant conflict.' However, access to financial information is important not only to GHI, but to members of other homeowner-type associations.

In the past year, the Virginia Supreme Court ruled that a condominium homeowners association in Alexandria had to make its financial records open to its members, including salary information (The Washington Post May 2, 1992). In Reston. a homeowner's association recently reversed its position to allow access to financial information to its members. Concern from individuals in homeowner-type associations across the nation have led Senator John Glenn to schedule hearings in the U.S. Senate on these matters.

Members of GHI rely on the News Review for accurate reporting of our cooperative and local news. You do us a great disservice with the misleading reporting of the type that has recently appeared.

Andrew Levin

Didn't Know How

Ronald Colton resigned as manager of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), because he didn't know how to deal with members' questions, suggestions, and criticisms, however diplomatically

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phrased. A close look would reveal that

Mr. Colton's negativity was the problem and that he infected a lot of people with it, including some of his employees.

Mr. Colton's advisers in the community must ask themselves: Did they give him the right advice or did he fail to listen?

The very members he chose to spar with were trying to solve important problems that GHI faces, such as fairness issues with the resales process. That issue is on the agenda for the next board meeting, July 15.

I wish Mr. Colton all the best in his new position.

I also expect that GHI will hire a new manager who can turn an upswing in member participation into a positive opportunity for employees as well as for members and the entire com-

Don Comis

Don't Interfere

It is most unfortunate that the Greenbelt News Review feels that it must interfere in the internal affairs of Greenbelt Homes. Inc. In recent articles, members of the Board and Audit Committee have been castigated because the News Review staff felt that the then current mana-Ron Colton, was being forced out of his job. Mr. Colton left on his own.

For the record, Mr. Colton left many problems behind which his successor will have to face. There is no master plan for maintaining the corporation, only a list of how to spend the inadequate reserves. We do not have a current inventory of our assets or problems. We have no current priority list of things to do-all we have gone on for ager's desires. Ask the many members who have uncorrected visible deficiencies about their

needed repairs.

We have many physical problems which have been hidden, such as deteriorating wet crawl spaces and poorly maintained common areas. We hired a computer consultant and paid him \$40.000 over a year and a half for services which could have been gotten for far less. We have an attorney whose average hourly billing rate has been \$180 and better over the last two years and we spent more than \$25,000 in legal fees last year.

Most of the problems in divisiveness among the board and audit committee did not exist. It apparently was in the perception of the manager and one former board member who attended meetings only in warm weather. Among ourselves we understood each others role and operated accordingly. More than once, the board had to instruct the manager to provide information to the Audit Committee so that they could do their job. If instructing the manager to do his job is considered a divisive action, then both the Board of Directors and the Audit Committee are guilty of the charge.

If the News Review wants to only report on GHI affairs from a biased perspective, then it should call itself the GHI News Review and report the news as it chooses. It would have helped, if the News Review actually had reporters at all meetings so they could have seen the interplay and harmony that was real rather than the acrimony that almost never occurred.

The role of the News Review is up to its editors. Perhaps it should get out of the GHI political arena and look at all of the communities within Greenbelt. Then truly it can be said that the News Review is a Greenbelt organization instead

of an organ for selected GHI politicians.

Virginia Moryadas

Seeing Snakes

Returning from shopping at Beltway Mall, we were stopped at the light on Kenilworth Avenue. As sometimes happens, my eyes drifted toward the car to my left. It was difficult to see what it was in the guy's lap but it looked similar to a piece of luggage of sorts. I didn't want to stare at the car but I could have sworn that something moved, just out of the corner of my eye. Taking a second look, sure enough it was moving and pretty soon the truth was known but I couldn't believe it. Here was a couple taking their boa constrictor for a ride. Its head was now hanging out of the window, not very far from me. And why was it interested in me? I stuck my tongue back at him.

Needless to say, I was pretty glad when the light turned green and I could leave them all behind, I saw it. I don't drink. There is a first time for everything and for my part this could be the last. It's not that I have anything against snakes the proper place, like in the jungles.

With the ozone hole allowing too much ultra violet hitting us, I would have expected them to have a little straw hat on its head. You have heard of Catman. and now you can add to that Snakeman and what happens if they meet up? Poor kitty!

Charlie Kendall, Sr.

BonsaiDemonstration

A basic demonstration of styling and potting bonsai will be given by a knowledgeable bonsai enthusiast on Sunday, July 11 and Sunday, July 25, at 1:30 p.m. in the Yoshimura Center of the National Bonsaj and Penjing Museum of the National Arbore-



Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

Cordially invites everyone to attend a dinner honoring former GHI General Manager

Ronald Colton

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5240 Calvert Road College Park, Maryland 20740

Monday, July 19, 1993, 7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased for \$30.00 at the Member Services Office, GHI Administration Building Hamilton Place, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770 (301) 474-4161

Menu selection: Prime Rib; Maryland Crab Cakes, Shrimp Scampi; Chicken Maryland; Stir Fry Vegetarian

Deadline for ticket purchase and menu selection: July 15 in person or by mail at the GHI offices.

Anyone wishing to speak at the dinner is asked to contact Board President Alan Freas, 474-8347 well in advance of the dinner date.

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Library Bookstore **Holds Sale Saturday**

by Eileen Peterson

Mindful that the recent heat wave has encouraged more sedentary types of recreation, the Novel Endings bookstore at the Greenbelt Library is planning a stock-up-for-summer Bookstore Day this Saturday, July 10, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The bookstore, located in the lower-level of the local branch, depends on donations from the public as well as volumes culled from the library system's shelves to make room for new books. This week, volunteers have emptied out the bookstore shelves and stocked them with donations brought in recently.

One donation is a Globe Edition, annotated, of all of Shakespeare's plays and poetry. Beautifully bound, the book is for the strong person: it must weigh over five pounds.

Donations are welcome anytime, but summer is a brisk time for the bookstore as patrons look forward to taking reading to the beach or mountains.

Bargain hunters are encouraged to bring in their own bags of donations whenever they come to the store for something new to read. News magazines less than six months old and all other kinds of magazines are welcome; records, tapes, puzzles and children's games are usually snapped up quickly. The book-store is a profitable example of the recycling ethic: monies earned in the bookstore go partly into the library system and partly to the Friends of the Greenbelt Library which spends its funds leadly its funds locally.

This group pays for special children's programs as well as some adult events. Funds also purchase magazine subscriptions and paperback books. In this way, those who find bargains downstairs pay for new items to be added upstairs. This has been particularly helpful during this time of tight budgeting, reflects Mary Bauer, Greenbelt branch manager.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

At Fountain Lodge

"Reggae Night" will be held July 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m. with reggae, calypso and all the authentic Island music. Kingston's Carry-Out located in Hyattsville will sponsor the event. They will provide Caribbean food such as curry chicken, rice and peas, plantains, and salad. Admission is free for Springhill Lake residents and their guest.

"Showtime at the Fountain Lodge" will be July 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Lights, Camera, action! Break out costumes, tune up the band, reach for the microphone. Local talent is needed. People can perform individually or with a group. Admission is free. M.C. and special guest co-median will be Leron Allen. All

acts must register by July 16. "Cheap Sunglasses Pool Party" will take place July 29, 7-9 p.m. at Pool No. 1 for this SHL adult pool party. There will be music, food, and fun. Residents must have their SHL pool pass. Guest passes can be purchased at the pool the day of the event.

Green Fundraiser

The Friends of Leo Green will be holding a fundraiser in honor of Senator Green on Thursday, July 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the new Comfort Inn Hotel and Conference Center, 4500 Crain Highway (Route 301 at Route 50) in Bowie.

There will be hors d'oeuvres

and complimentary beer and wine at this event. It also promises to be an evening of friends and fellowship.

Anyone who is interested in purchasing tickets and attending this event, please call 262-

Tree Care Talk

Lew Block, Consulting Arborist and Landscape Arcitect, will discuss treatment of tree wounds. pruning and topping of trees, treatment of tree cavities, tree root system. and tree staking. Learn what's new in tree care. The program will be held in the Administration Building Classroom at 10 a.m. on Wednesday. July 14. at the National Arbor**Ask Congressman** On Call-in Program

MultiVision Cable TV, along with cable television systems across Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia, will carry "Senate Connection." This live, call-in program, a monthly series, will appear on Channel 31A, from 8 to 9 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month.

The program will be a "cable town meeting" airing from the Capitol in Washington, D.C. in the form of a C-SPAN type call-in public service program. Viewers will be able to call in, ask questions, and voice their opinions about important issues with United States Senators and members of the House of Representatives.

Currently the schedule will be as follows: Live-Thursday 8 to 9 p.m., July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, and December 16. Replay-Tuesday and Wednesday, 8 to 9 p.m.-July 20 and 21, August 24 and 25, September 21 and 22, October 26 and 27, November 23 and 24, and December 1 and 22.

Save Our Buses

There will be a meeting of Save Our Buses (S.O.H.) on Monday, July 12, at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library.

Planning for activities for the coming months will take place. All interested citizens are invited to attend.

Recreation Review

Discount Amusement Park Tickets

The Greenbelt Recreation Department is providing amuse-ment park tickets for the 1993 season. Parks included are: Kings Dominion, Dorney Park-Hershey Park, Six Flags-Great Adventure, Wild World and Sesame Place.

Tickets may be purchased at the Youth Center Business Office, Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Payment may be made by cash, money order or certified

No personal checks and no refunds. For additional information, call 474-6878.

Summer Playgrounds/Teen Center

Co-sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Department and Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission, the playgrounds are open to children 6-12 years and the teen center is for youths 12-15 years of age. The programs provide children with an opportunity to participate in sports, games, crafts and special events.

The three locations for the younger children are:

Springhill Lake Recreation Center, Monday-Thursday, 12-6 p.m. and Friday, 9-3 p.m.; Mowatt Methodist Church and Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Activities will include various

sports, games, arts and crafts, and special events.

The second program, for teens between the ages of 12 and 15, will operate at Schrom Hills Park at the Teen Center to open there. This program will operate through August 6, Mondays through Thursdays, from 5 to

Individuals with disabilities are welcome and reasonable accommodations to encourage involvement will be made. For additional information call 937**Girl Scout News**

The end of the school year also marks the end of Girl Scouts for another year. Girl Scout troops in Greenbelt marked the end of the year with special ceremonies and events. Junior Troop 1411 traveled to Williamsburg and Busch Gardens. Brownie Troop 567 spent a weekend at Solomons Island. Junior Troop 1161 camped at Point Lookout State Park in St. Mary's County.

Sixth graders Rhiannon Brinkley, Katie Broderick, Heather Holland, Stephanie Hyde, Samantha Kling, Nina McKenzie, Jacque Pyle, Angela Shehadi, Kate Stratton, Missy Troeschel and Lizzie Withers will go on to Cadette Girl Scouting in the fall. A new Cadette troop in Greenbelt will also start in the fall for seventh and eight graders

Some special recognitions were awarded to Junior Girl Scouts in Greenbelt: Carla Zamudio was named Outstanding Troop Scout in Troop 1161 and Lisa Farley received the "Super Trooper" award. For Junior Troop 1411, Emily Condon-Douglas received. Outstanding Scout and Lisa Stratton received an award for perfect attendance.

"Thanks to all the adults who helped make Girl Scouting grow in Greenbelt this year." said volunteer Service unit Manager Karen Yoho. "Girl Scouting relies on adult support and leadership and due to those efforts Greenbelt Girl Scouts are an active and vital part of our community."

Some summer activities are planned for Greenbelt Girl Scouts, including a splash party. For information on how adults can become involved in Girl Scouts, or for information on girl registration, please call Karen Yoho at 982-9626.

Greenbriar Plans Pool Party/Picnic

"The Pool Party Picnic is Greenbriar's biggest event of the year," said William E. Ayers, president of the Greenbriar Community Association. "This year, the 16th Annual Pool Party Pienie will be held Sat Party Picnic will be held Sat-urday, July 17 from 6 until 11 p.m. for the benefit of residents of Greenbriar and Glen Oaks."

The menu will be that of a traditional summer picnic: fried chicken, potato salad, cold cuts, Bills Famous Baked Beans, applesauce, watermelon, beer, and soda. The food will be served from 6 until 7:30 p.m., followed by games, prizes, swimming, and

"This year's D.J. will be from the Pro's, who have a reputation for providing a mix of music appealing to everyone," said Linda S. Evans, Activities Director, "This Pool Party Picnic will include the water balloon toss, egg toss, and three-legged races, complete with prizes.

Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling 441-1096. No tickets will be sold at the door. The rain location is the Greenbriar Terrace Room. For further details, contact Linda Evans 441-1096.

Nature Walks

A National Park Service Ranger will be conducting nature walks on the Greenbelt Park Blueberry Trail on Sundays, July 11, 18 and 25. Meet at the Campground entrance at 10 a.m.

For more information, call 344-3944/8.

Swim Team News

by Christine Maher and Amanda Baldauf

"Simply awesome!" was the comment heard most often around the Greenbelt Municipal Pool Saturday, July 3 as the Greenbelt Municipal Swim Team won its second meet in as many outings.

The swim team is off to a 2 and 0 start this season with wins against Montpelier Community Pool and Cheverly Swim and Racquet Club. Congratula-tions to triple winners Kate Hilton, Aruna Inversin, Ben Kepler, Danielle Leas, William Lloyd and Christine Maher from the Montpelier meet.

Triple winners from the Cheverly meet were Amanda Baldauf, Jenny Drake, Fernando Freire da Silva, Aruna Inversin, Ben Kepler, and Christine Ma-

Many old team and pool records were broken. Kate Hilton broke the 9-10 girls' records in freestyle and breaststroke, The boys graduated relay team of Brendan Gardes, Aruna Inversin, Ben Kepler and William Lloyd broke a record which had stood since 1989.

Aruna Inversin also broke the 15-18 boys team and pool breaststroke records. Christine Maher broke her own record for the 11-12 girls individual med-

ley.
The girls graduated relay team of Amanda Baldauf, Jenny Drake, Kate Hilton and Christine Maher broke records set in 1989 and 1990. And not only did they break the team and pool records, they beat the boys relay team.

In addition to the triple winners, the high point winners for the July 3 meet were: Johanna Baker, William Lloyd and John Smid with 10 points each; Holly Hilton with 12; and Brendan Gardes, Kate Hilton, Alexandre Freire da Silva and Reed Wirick with 13 points.

The Greenbelt Swim Team is pumped and ready for a season of winning. The girls relay team is aiming for more record setting. Go Snoopy, Beany, Amunda and Jenny!

Go Team! Everyone is welcome to attend our next meet Saturday, July 10 against Temple Hills starting at 8:30 a.m. in the outdoor pool. Come cheer

At the Library

On Tuesday, July 13, Summer Quest for ages 6-12 will present "Margaret Brent of Maryland," a dramatic presentation by Mary Ann Jung at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, July 14, at 1 p.m. the Spanish/English Storytime will be held for ages 3-5.

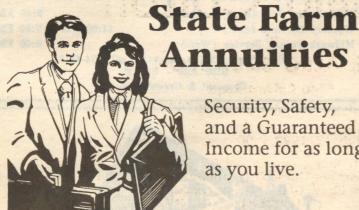
At 7 p.m. join Bill Jenkins in playing one of the instruments in his unique collection during a "Musical Trip Around the World" for all ages.

On Thursday, July 15, there will be a Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 at 10:15 a.m.

Campers and the public are invited to attend the following campfire programs at Greenbelt Park "Welcome to Washington" on Fridays, July 16 and 23. "Washington's Ghosts" on Friday, July 30.

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The View from Ridge Road

Nights Out

by Christina O'Boyle "The last week of the year, beginning with Christmas and ending with New Year's Day will be 'At Home Week' in Greenbelt, (no orbanizational business meetings being allowed)."

> Greenbelt Cooperator December 8, 1938

The refrigerator is empty the afternoon we return from vacation. I make a quick trip to the Coop to get chicken for dinner and milk for breakfast. Walking through the store and its familiarity is like being wel-comed home. Then the friends I meet actually do welcome me back. Driving my groceries home. I travel Ridge Road and pass friends in cars and at the playground. Arms go up and hands flutter "hello." Getting away is an adventure. Coming back is a comfort.

Our friend Rabbi White said. "Where would we be without community? Alone in happiness. alone in grief, that's where. A community surrounds you, supporting your life." A month later my husband said he felt it was his turn to run for the GHI Board of Directors, having let others perform the duty all the years we've lived here. I look at him and imagine tenminute dinners. extra nights out and balk at the two year commitment. Sometimes my public spirit is slow to surface. I turn back to cooking and concentrate on what our friend said about community.

There's a jumping-off point to joining-in. Joining a large group takes away so much at first glance if one considers all the time that will go to choir rehearsals. fundraisers, meetings. The end product may create beauty and pleasure, right some wrongs, form new friendships, but that's not what we're thinking of at the end of a long day with a long meeting waiting for us. We can't help our exhaustion and wishing someone else would go. We can't be faulted if the dinner we just gulped down-or didn't have time for-is bothering us; if our eyes land on the unopened pages of "Jurassic Park" (which we're determined to read before seeing the movie) and we heave a weary sigh. And certainly there ought to be applause as we turn and walk away from the cozy house and the unread book and drive to the meeting.

Unnoticed, these efforts are repeated over and over in houses around Greenbelt. It has been this way from the city's first years of existence. That's how the News Review gets how the News Review gets printed, the Community Center and Theater is designed, the bus routes monitored, and the Labor Day Festival pulled together.

And something else happens, too. When we are sick, fellow members from the Homemakers or Golden Age Club arrive with dinner wrapped in potholders, hot and healing. Strangers become friends while finding solu-tions for the traffic on Greenbelt Road or the trash in the woods. Others notice when we've been away on vacation and say they're glad we're back. "A community surrounds you, supporting your life."

I sigh, turn to John and say, "All right. Time to jump."



Couple comes to sister city Greenbelt to renew their wedding - photo by Nicole Arnone

Vow Renewal Ceremony Hosted by TGI Fridays

by Mary Lou Williamson

Nelda and Bob Kolodzik came to TGI Fridays last week to renew their wedding vows after 36 years of marriage. They came from Greenhills. Ohio and were excited about being in their sister city.

More than a dozen off-duty employees sat at tables on the front porch at Fridays on Wednesday afternoon, chatting while they waited for the couple to appear. A string of white balloons arched over the front steps. A garter, champagne glasses and a wedding cake waited inside along with a bouquet of roses. The couple arrived. Thaddeus Thomas, a line cook and a seven-year employee. performed the brief ceremony in front of two dozen employees. Thomas, a part-time student at the Washington Bible College, plans to become a minister. Managing the affair was John Stevens. TGI Fridays manager. "I'm a little nervous." he admitted. "It's my first wedding."

Why Fridays? Several years ago Nelda and Bob went to their local Tri-state Fridays not far from Greenhills. They were so pleased with the young people working in the restaurant that Nelda called the company's 800 number to commend them all. "If they keep their bright smiles and positive attitudes." she told Friday's president Dick Rivera, "They'll have life by the tail."

The kids at Fridays are her family, says Nelda. She's given a cookout for the local group at her house the past two sum-

Rivera, in turn has told the restaurants to treat Bob and Nelda like royalty.

ing soul, and the social vision . . .'

New Addition Announced

partment is pleased to announce a new addition to its Canine Unit. Gus. a two-year-old black labrador retriever, recently com-pleted two months of training with the Montgomery County Police Department, receiving a score of 198.5 out of 200 possible points. Gus has been trained to detect marijuana, hashish, her-oin, cocaine. methamphetamine (Ice), and phencyclidine (PCP).

Pfc. Michael Lanier. Gus has proven to be quite effective since

his deployment on June 6. He has located one pound of marijuana during a search war-rant; five pounds of marijuana in a Federal Express package; marijuana and heroin in five different locations during a search warrant; marijuana at two different locations inside a vehicle; and marijuana in a vehicle that had been seized from a drug dealer. Gus also detected drugcontaminated money totaling

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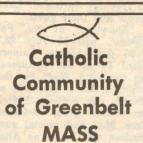
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For information regarding programs for youth, young adults, singles, and senior citizens, please call the church office.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

FIREWORKS CRITIQUE

(Continued from page one)

start shooting first. The first rockets appeared this year on the horizon to the south, we thought they must be coming from Andrews Air Force Base. Then closer by, gorgeous aerial displays began to flash over the Beltway at New Carrollton. A few moments later, Greenbelt began firing right in front of us. Then someone exclaimed, "Oh, look. There goes College Park," and we all glanced off to the right to see an opening salvo of rockets bursting near the University. Soon the Mall fireworks began to appear on the horizon to the southeast and way to the east Bowie's bigger rockets appeared above the trees. Then, beyond Greenbelt's toward the horizon, we saw the display at what we thought was Wild World Amusement Park.

It's tricky to catch all the super spectacular bursts when they are occurring over a 90 degree angle. Someone would call attention to a special burst in one direction and everyone's head would turn that way as the display would fade away. Then someone else would call out another direction and all heads would turn that way. Everyone was afraid that they would miss that really special display.

No Ahh's This year life was made eas-

aerial displays from Greenbelt. We didn't see a single big burst -the kind that spreads over the entire lake and lights up the crowd. As usual, the firing of Greenbelt's display was well managed, with no lengthy gaps and a continuing aerial display except when ground pieces were ignited. As usual, the show lasted about 20 minutes—not as long as some of the slower firing displays in other locations, but plenty long for the little ones, who quickly get bored. But this year, as one viewer commented, Greenbelt's display as seen from on high didn't merit one "ahh."

Our disappointment in Greenbelt was offset by the spectacular displays in New Carrollton and College Park. It was apparent that both had purchased from the same supplier and that they had obtained a large number of the new kind of displays that had been recently written up in another newspaper. These special aerials came in unique configurations - circles, double two colored circles, ellipses, one that looked like the outline of the planet earth, and more. My favorite display looked like the planet Saturn, with the planet in blue and the wide ring band in red. Among these special designs were gigantic multi-colored single bursts of red, green, blue and gold. These two displays lasted well over half an hour and ended in spectacular

The other displays were not close enough to be really appreciated. The district, as usual, had continuing multiple bursts changing in color and texture. Its show was long and we watched it occurring on the horizon and then on the television set in the room. While far more elaborate and extensive than any other, this year's display for the Mall seemed ordinary and unexceptional.

Moon a Winner

Mother Nature proved that she is no slacker when it comes to aerial displays. At first we thought we saw a burst of yellow from the Bowie display, but the burst hung there and began to grow in size. Soon we realized it was not fireworks but the rising moon—a very full one at that. It became a giant golden ball overlooking all the fireworks displays and continuing after all the earthly activities had stopped.

The evening ended watching the flashing vehicle lights and red flares of the police as they busily worked to empty Greenbelt of its numerous visitors. As usual, the Police worked with dispatch and efficiency, and Greenbelt was close to normal once again by a little after ten.

Keyser-Stratchko

Edward Stratchko, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Stratchko of Greenhill Road, and Kelly Sue Keyser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Keyser of Port Republic, Md. were married June 5 at St. Hugh's Church, Father Thomas Crowley was the celebrant. The bride's attendants were Tracey Buckmaster and Katie Cole, sisters of the bride, and Irene Saylor, Barbara Stratchko, Traci Fox and Joanne Lomhel. Eugene Stratchko was best man for his son, Groomsmen were David Stratchko, Gary Stratchko, James Stratchko, Steve Stratchko and Scott Key-

Flower girls were Christie Stratchko and Colleen Jack. Ring Bearers were David Stratchko and William Buckmaster. Program attendees were Daniel and James E. Stratchko.

The couple had a honeymoon in Cancun, Mexico and now reside in Bowie.

The bride is employed by Harry Diamond Lab, the groom by Joines Mechanical Contractors.

Publick Playhouse Hosts Piano Choir

The Piano Choir returns to the stage at the Publick Playhouse on Saturday, July 17, at 8 p.m. in the second in its Reunion Concert series marking an almost 20-year absence from the jazz music scene.

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There is a fee. For information or reservations, call Playhouse Box Office at 301-277-1710 (voice), 301-277-0312 (TTY).

Iris Sale and Auction

The C&P bearded iris sale will include a full range of bearded iris, from miniature dwarf (8") to standard tall (26") in a rainbow of colors for which iris is noted. The sale will be open to the public on Sunday, July 11 at noon. The auction will begin at 8 p.m. in the Administration Building Auditorium of the National Arbore-

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Police Blotter

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

While patrolling the area of Kenilworth Avenue south of Greenbelt Road at 7:15 p.m. on June 25, an officer stopped a vehicle for a registration violation and found an open can of beer and a 9 mm Taurus semi-automatic handgun inside the vehicle. As a result, a 30-year-old resident man was arrested and charged with transporting a handgun. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was released pending trial.

While patrolling the 7500 block of Hanover Pkwy. around 9 a.m. on July 1, an officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and found that the tag had been reported stolen and that there was marijuana inside the vehicle. Consequently, a 24-year-old nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance and with theft under \$300. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was released on personal recognizance pending trial.

While patrolling the area of Mandan Road and Greenbelt Road around midnight June 26. an officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and found that the driver had an open warrant with the Prince Georges County Police and that there were marijuana and rolling papers inside the vehicle. The driver, a 26-year-old nonresident man. was then arrested and charged with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was released to the Sheriff's Department pending trial.

While patrolling the area of Greenbelt Road and Walker Drive around 2 a.m. on June 28. an officer stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation and smelled marijuana when he was talking to the driver. Several pipes such as are commonly used to smoke marijuana and rolling papers were found inside the vehicle: the 22-year-old nonresident (driver) was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. He was released on citation pending trial.

Around 7:30 a.m. on June 27 officers responded to a report of a violent domestic argument in the 100 block of Westway. They arrested a 27-year-old resident man, charging him with assault and battery. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was held on \$7,000 bond pending trial. The woman involved in the argument was taken to the hospital for injuries on her face, arms. and ribs.

On June 28 an attempted breaking and entering of a residence in the 9100 block of Springhill Lane was reported.

On June 30 a breaking and entering of an office in the 7500 block of Greenway Center Drive was reported. A VCR was stol-

On June 27 police recovered a stolen 1993 Pontiac Grand Prix from the 8300 block of Canning Terrace.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of autos were reported in the following areas: the 6100 block of Breezewood Drive, the 8200 block of Canning Terrace, the 6400 block of Capitol Drive, the 5800 and 5900 blocks of Cherrywood Lane, the 6000 and 7400 blocks of Greenbelt Road, the 7600 block of Mandan Road, the 400 block of Ridge Road and the 9100 block of Springhill Lane.

Our Neighbors

by Linda Savaryn, 471-5285
Congratulations to Kerry
Sweeny, who received the Margaret B. Sanger Scholarship
from the English department at
the University of South Dakota.

Judith L. Ollerenshaw, daughter of Paul and Clarice Ollerenshaw of Ridge Road. graduated from the University of Maryland in the spring with a degree in psychology and a certificate in women's studies. She has been selected by the Teach for America Program to do teaching in a public school in the inner city of Baltimore in the fall.

The degree of doctor of philosephy in geology was conferred upon Hattie Elizabeth Anderson at the spring 1993 convocation of Carleton University, Ottawa. Ontario. Canada. Dr. Anderson, the daughter of Martin and Hattie Elizabeth Anderson of Gardenway, grew up in Greenbelt, attended Greenbelt Center and Junior High Schools. and was an honors graduate of Parkdale Senior High School. She received both the bachelor of science degree, with honors. and the master of science degree from the University of New Brunswick. Fredericton. New Brunswick, Canada. A post-doctoral research fellow at the Geological Survey of Canada, she resides in Ottawa with her husband. Dr. Roy Timothy Pat-

Dr. Teresa A. Hanyok. daughter of Joseph and Betty Hanyok of Dunkirk. MD and granddaughter of Joseph and Cecilia Hanyok of Lakeside Drive, graduated on May 21 from the University of Maryland Medical School. Baltimore, with a degree in family practice medicine. She is currently doing her residency in family practice at the Spartanburg Regional Medical Center in Spartanburg, S.C.

From the military comes word that Navy Cmdr. Steve R. Hibbs, son of Raymond J. and Shirley M. Hibbs of Lakeside Drive. was recently promoted to his present rank while serving at Naval Air Reserve. Naval Air Station, Memphis. Hibbs joined the Navy in December 1978.

Navy Ensign Wayne W. Mc-Cool. a 1989 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School. recently graduated from the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, and was commissioned to his present rank.

At the Naval Academy. Mc-Cool experienced four years of intensive academic, physical and professional training, culminating with a bachelor of science degree with a major in ocean-cgraphy.

Elizabeth Heaney made the president's list this spring at James Madison University, Va.

Fifty Years Ago She Lost Her Skirt

by James Giese

July, 1943-That was the headline in the July 2nd Greenbelt Cooperator when the paper provided an explanation to a classified ad appearing in the same issue from a lady at 1-A Ridge Road. At that time, Town regulations prohibited wearing shorts in the commercial center. It seems that this lady had been wearing shorts in order to play tennis but had brought along a skirt in order to do some shopping. After leaving the center, she had removed her skirt and carried it over her arm. Somewhere along the way home, she dropped it without knowing so and lost it.



Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center City of Greenbelt, Maryland



1993 Daytime Recreation Children's Summer Activities

In-person registration, first-come, first-served basis. ALL registrants must sign up at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center for ALL recreation classes. PLEASE NOTE registration days and times.

REGISTRATION ON THE SATURDAYS BEFORE EACH SESSION FOR SWIMMING LESSONS IS ABSOLUTELY RESTRICTED TO ALL PASSHOLDERS, AND RESIDENT NON-PASSHOLDERS WHO MUST PRESENT THEIR PASS OR PROOF OF RESIDENCY AT TIME OF REGISTRATION. MONDAY REGISTRATION IS AVAILABLE ON A SPACE AVAILABLE BASIS ONLY FOR ALL OTHERS.

Registration for residents of Greenbelt and passholders ONLY (for swimming lessons) is Saturday July 17th from 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon. Registration for all others start July 19th starting from 9 a.m. - 12 noon.

CLASS SCHEDULE: Tuesday-Friday. July 20-July 30th.

CLASS FEES: All class fees are noted in the course description.

REFUNDS: The Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center reserves the right to cancel classes due to insufficient registrants or causes beyond its control. Refunds will be made if classes are cancelled by the Center. Other refunds will be made according to the provisions in the City of Greenbelt Resolution No. 65, which also requires that refund requests, for valid reasons, are to be submitted IMMEDIATELY IN WRITING to the Business Office.

MAINSTREAMING: Anyone who is physically, mentally and/or emotionally challenged is encouraged to participate in any of the Aquatic & Fitness Center's programs. If you need any special assistance, please call 474-6878 or TTY 474-1811 and ask for Karen Haseley

For any additional information, contact the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center at 513-0390.

TUESDAY - FRIDAY, JULY 20th - July 30th

| ACTIVITIES | AGE GROUP | DAY/TIME | | COST | LOCA | |
|------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------------------------|----------------------------|------|-----------------------|
| Archery | 6-12 yrs. | Tu-Fri | 10:30a-11:15a | \$20 Res. \$25 non-res. | YC | 8-45 min. sessions |
| Arts & Crafts | 3-5 yrs. 6-12 yrs. | Tu-Fri | 2:45p-3:30p 1:45p-2:30p | FREE | YC | 8-45 min. sessions |
| Tennis | 8 & up | Tu-Fri | 9:30a-10:15a | \$20 res. \$25 non-res. | BFTC | 8-45 min sessions |
| Gymnastics | 3-5 yrs. 6-12 yrs. | Tu-Fri | 1:45p-2:30p 2:45p-3:30p | \$20 res. \$25 non-res. | YC | 8-45 min. sessions |
| Chucks & Lassies | 6-12 yrs. | Tu & Th | 11:30a-12:30p | FREE | YC | 4-one hr. sessions |

AQUATIC CLASSES

PASSHOLDERS \$25.00; RESIDENT NON-PASSHOLDERS \$30.00; NON-RESIDENT/NON-PASSHOLDERS \$35.00

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| ACTIVITIES | AGE | TIME | SESSIONS |
| Water Babies (SWIM WITH PARE) | 6-18 mos. NT) | 11:15a-11:45a | 8-1/2 hr. sessions |
| Aqua Tots I (SWIM WITH PARE) | (1½-4 yrs.) NT) | 10:30a-11:00a | 8-½ hr. sessions |
| Aqua Tots II (SWIM WITH PAREM | (1½-4 yrs.) NT) | 9:45a-10:15a | 8-½ hr. sessions |
| Learn-To-Swim For 4' | s 4 yrs. | 9:00a- 9:30a | 8-1/2 hr. |

AGE 5 & OVER CLASSES

BEGINNER I, BEGINNER II, AND ADVANCED BEGINNER WILL BE OFFERED AT FOUR DIFFERENT TIMES: 9:00-9:30am, 9:45 10:15am, 10:30-11:00am, and 11:15-11:45am.

INTERMEDIATE WILL BE OFFERED AT 9:00-9:30am and 11:15-11:45am.

SWIMMERS WILL BE OFFERED AT 9:45-10:15am ONLY.

1993 SUMMER ADULT & CHILDREN EVENING CLASSES

SESSION II

(Classes offered 2 times a week for 4 weeks)

In-person registration, first-come, first-served basis. ALL registrants must sign up at the Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center for aquatic classes. PLEASE NOTE registration days and

Registration for residents of Greenbelt and passholders ONLY is July 12th & 13th from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Registration for all others starts July 14th from 6:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. on a space available basis.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL CLASSES HAVE A LIMIT ON ENROLLMENT. TRATION IMPROVES YOUR CHANCES OF GETTING THE CLASS YOU WANT!!!!

CLASS FEES: All class fees are noted in the course description. Non-passholders of the facility will pay more than passholders. A 10% discount will be given to all senior citizens, 60 years old and over, for non-Senior classes.

CLASS SCHEDULE: Classes will begin the week of Monday, July 19th.

REFUNDS: The Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center reserves the right to cancel classes due to insufficient registrants or causes beyond its control. Refunds will be made if classes are cancelled by the Center. Other refunds will be made according to the provisions in the City of Greenbelt Resolution No. 65, which also requires that refund requests, for valid reasons, are to be submitted IMMEDIATELY IN WRITING to the Business Office.

CITY RESIDENCY: Greenbelt residents are those who pay taxes to the City of Greenbelt. That is as it should be, as our residents pay taxes to support the Recreation Centers and the Aquatic and Fitness Center in our community. However, just because someone has a Greenbelt address, does not necessarily mean that they pay taxes to the City of Greenbelt. We want to be fair to the people whose tax money supports our programs. If you are not sure that you have a Greenbelt address, and pay city taxes, call 513-0390.

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| ACTIVITIES | DAY/T | | GE GROUP | FEE | LENGTH OF CLASS |
| Adult Swimming Lessons Beginner | M/W | 8:00p-8:30p | 16 & Over | \$25 PH \$30 R-NPH \$35 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Advanced Beginner | TU/TH | 8:00p-8:30p | 16 & Over | \$25 PH \$30 R-NPH \$35 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Arthritis Aquatics | M/W/F | 2:00p-3:00p | 16 & Over | \$25 PH \$30 R-NPH \$35 NR-NPH | 12 sessions |
| Arthritis Deep Water Aquatics | M/W/F | 3:15p-4:15p | 16 & Over | \$25 PH \$30 R-NPH \$35 NR-NPH | 12 sessions |
| Morning Aquacize | M/W/F | 8:00a-8:45a | 16 & Over | \$25 PH \$30 R-NPH \$35 NR-NPH | 12 sessions |
| Evening Aquacize | M/W | 7:00p-7:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Deep Water Running | M/W | 7:00-7:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| High Intensity Water Aerobic | s M/W | 6:00p-6:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| High/Low Aerobics Drop-In O | nly FRI | 6:00p-6:45p | 16 & Over | \$2.00 PH \$3.00 N-PH per class | 4 sessions |
| Seniorcize | TU/TH | 2:00р-2:45р | 60 & Over | \$18 PH \$23 R-NPH \$28 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Therapeutic Aquatics | TU/TH | 3:00p- 3:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Water Interval Training | TU/TH | 6:00p-6:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Water Walking | TU/TH | 7:00p-7:45p | 16 & Over | \$20 PH \$25 R-NPH \$30 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
| Yoga | M/F | 7:00a-8:30a | 16 & Over | \$ 5 PH \$10 R-NPH \$15 NR-NPH | 8 sessions |
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Center School (Continued from page one)

containing pictures of all her kindergarten classes was very popular. People searched for the picture of their class.

Here also was a file of old News Reviews for people to per-use. These contained stories about the school, new principals, special events and even the community struggle to decide whether to build the new school or add on to the present building. Slide Show

On one wall a replay of one of Center's latest programs was shown, Near the front Counselor Letty Moron gave a slide show of students, faculty and events over the years. Viewers delighted in identifying former friends and teachers-sometimes a par-

Along the back walls a huge paper and markers were available for comments, good wishes, memories . . . a way to let go. And it was filled with greetings, reminiscences, names, even Greenbelt Center's song — remembered by a former student

who is now a college graduate.
In the lobby many gathered to listen to Center vocal music teacher Wilma Vazquez play toetapping melodies on the piano and partake of the goodies prepared by the "Farewell Committee" of Greenbelt Center's PTA (Mary Wade as chairperson). Then there was more reminisc-

Here we talked to Greenbelt Pioneers Joyce Bates Mangum, Ellen Gussio Domchick, Betty May Gussio Shifflett and Kathleen Scott McFarland, who had attended Center the year it opened. There were only 24 kids in the school then, they said, but hastened to add that new families were moving in so the numbers rapidly grew. McFarland told us that greeters were assigned to these new children to meet them and help them feel at home in the school. For the first time, most of the children had art, music and sports in school.

Children attended Center School through seventh grade and then went directly to the new Greenbelt High School, which was attended also by students from neighboring municipalities. (Now the building is Greenbelt Middle School). There was no eighth grade then. Because the high school didn't have a gymnasium, high school dances and athletic events were held in the Center School gym. Greenbelt Recreation Department people coached the high school teams.

Not only did she attend Center School, Mangum said, but her sons had attended Center also, and now, she added proudly, her granddaughter would je starting kindergarten in the new school.

As people left they were given a final remembrance of Center School. a picture post card of the bas reliefs on the front of the school.

Nutrition Hotline

.The American Institute for Cancer Research operates a tollfree Nutrition Hotline (1-800-843-8114) providing information regarding diet, nutrition and cancer. Hotline dieticians will research answers to callers' questions before phoning back, using sources including federal agencies, and AICR studies on diet and cancer. Hotline dieticians however, cannot give medical advice. The hotline operates during business hours, Monday through Friday.

Why Greenbelt Center Is Important to Me

by Heather Norden

At Greenbelt Center School, they have a special way of teaching. The staff has shown me that learning can't be done over night. It has to be accomplished over time by people who want to learn. You have to listen and strive to do your best, not just sit down and expect to learn. It is important to want to learn because if you want something and try your hardest, it's bound to happen. Greenbelt Center and the staff are very important to me and I've come to respect all that's involved

When I was little, I had a lot of problems at school, Every year I'd go to a different one hoping things would be better. Then, in third grade, I came to Greenbelt Center. Mrs. West and Mrs. Pappas helped me in many ways and I started to like school more and more. Then in fourth grade with Mrs. O'Conner, I learned to read and I learned about friendship and I got straight A's for the first time. In fifth grade, Mrs. Rosen taught me a lot about Mexico and I learned to speak a little Spanish. In sixth grade I learned about responsibility by being able to switch classes. With Mrs. Sturgill and Mrs. Lubetzky. I learned about many things including trust and values.

Other teachers such as Mrs. Efron, Mrs. Morton, Mrs. Bloom, Mrs. Vasquez, and Mr. Howze helped me to overcome my problems and to be more proud of myself. There are many more that help to make Greenbelt Center such a special place and I am proud to be a part of it.

Children always say how much they dislike school but when something happens to prevent you from going, you realize how lucky you are to have a place like Greenbelt Center to learn. When I was sick this year I couldn't come to school for many weeks. I didn't want to get behind so I did my work and read. I could have been farther behind but I learned that you do have a lot to do with your own education. It's the difference between trying and not trying and I plan to do more to help myself in the future.

When I go to middle school next year. I will miss all the staff and Mrs. Goff. Although I may not see them as much, they will always be in my heart and I will never forget them r the things they taught me.

Goodbye Greenbelt Center and good luck. I'll miss you!

Kobin Hood at Playhouse

On Wednesday, July 14, at 12 noon, the Publick Playhouse will present the American Family Theatre's production of Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves. Join Robin and his band of merry men as they triumph over evil sheriffs in the mysterious and enchanting Sherwood Forest. There is a fee. For reservations or additional information call the Playhouse Box Office at (301) 277-1710, voice (301) 277-0312 (TTY).

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A Walk Through the Fourth

(Continued from page one) they ever know it. Basketball

Gradually the eye begins to accustom itself to this tempestuous ocean of humanity and begins to make differentiations. The basketball court is just as it always is. Two groups of lighter-than-air youths, mostly bare-chested, float at either end of the tarmac, oblivious to the earth-bound squalor of heat and humidity. They gather beneath the backboard, raising their arms as though bidding at auction.
The highest leap wins the bid, the ball arcs toward the rim. rockets out. and the bidding starts again. The eye seeks repose here, on the symmetrical geometry of the court. formal as an English garden. Amidst the serene joy of the court games, the travails of man seem distant as the moons of Jupiter.

Command Center

The eye tires of serenity and goes wandering again. It finds its way to a broad open tent near the parking lot, not far from the basketball court. Beneath the tent, dark-uniformed men stand on the grass. muttering gravely into walkie-talkies. It seems to be the police command center. Despite its rude appearance, it has the quiet efficiency of an office building. It differs from both the surging chaos of the crowd and the cosmic serenity of the court. while somehow partaking of both. It embodies the attempt to restrain chaos not by grace but by main force. But there seems to be very little going on. The crowd is remarkably wellbehaved, so there is not much to do

It would be easy to overlook the couple standing off to one side. They seem to be chatting offhandedly with a police officer. The woman and the officer alternate speaking in a curious rhythm. as though reciting a prayer. But he is not actually speaking to her; he is repeating her words into a walkie-talkie. She is giving a description: Three feet tall. A white fishnet tank top. Blue shorts with red stripes down the side. Five years old. He has been missing for half an hour.

One begins to understand little by little, that the quiet. efficient, professional demeanor is necessary to deal with terror. The patrol commander reassures a bystander that there are 20 radio-linked officers fanned out through the crowd at different locations, that all lost children at this event have been quickly located, so far. The woman twists and turns a small piece of paper in her hands, Her voice sounds like dry leaves stirred by the wind. The man stares into the distance. The bystander rushes off to join his own family before darkness closes in.

The Fires of Greenbelt

It is nearly time for the fireworks to begin. A small boy is gazing raptly at the dim red lights of the ignition platform across the lake. He is given to fantasizing, as small boys and girls are. His eyes are clear. expressionless; He peers across the water, where the foes haughty host in dread silence reposes. A scenario seems to be gathering in his soul like thunderclouds. And then the storm breaks. "I am encamped with thousands of others. What are we all doing here? Suddenly there is raucous bcoming overhead, like the heavens cracking open. We're being shelled! Mayday! Mayday! Get down, you idiots! What do you

think this is. the Fourth of July.

There is a pause. Two boys of eight or nine are leaning back in their beach chairs. One says to the other, with palpable relish. "Y'ever see one o'them things blow up all over the plat-form, Lance?" One can almost hear their neurons fizzing like sparklers. completing the thought: "Wouldn't that be great? The fireworks get out of control. blow everybody up, bodies flying everywhere? Cool!" In the questioner's lap is nestled a small grey terrier, wheezing contentedly, its snout poking out from the crook of its master's arm. In the dark silence between explosions, the contrast between the tender scene and the grisly idea shimmers eerily.

The Homeward Procession

The fireworks are over quickly. The sated crowd quickly disperses and pours down the lake path. The only illumination un-der the tree-darkened sky is provided by the fluorescent tubes, thin lines of brilliant color in an omnivorous blackness. Amazingly, the toys seem to have been transformed. like other objects under the influence of the Fourth of July, from commercial flotsam to powerful talismans. The surrounding darkness and preternatural light from the tubes induces a sense of disorientation. The crowd seems to proceed down a tunnel which spans the ages. protected only by these small shafts of light, stretching out endlessly in time and space. They press closer together, step-

Charges Reduced For Greenbelt Man

by David Morse

Charges against Greenbelt resident William Ronald Helms were reduced to assault and battery at a preliminary hearing in District Court on July 1. Helms had initially been charged with assault with intent to murder, a felony, and held on \$65,000 bond. At the hearing, this was reduced to assault and battery, a misdemeanor. In accordance with the reduced charge, his bond was reduced. He was released the following day after posting bail of \$5,000.

Police said that Helms had shot a man following an argument outside a Brentwood nightclub. But when it was determined that the round that was fired apparently was a blank, the lesser charge was entered, according to Alexis-Yeoman. director of communications for the State's Attorney's Office. The victim refused medical

ping carefully.

At the fork in the path, they break ranks and scatter. The rest of the way seems more perilous, the amulets somehow having lost their charm. Families wander in the void like planets released from solar gravity. People call out for their children, clutching at them nervously. Finally, they reach the end of the trail.

The rule of the elders is restored. The Lords of the Fourth, many of them. are slung across their bearers' backs. wheezing contentedly. perhaps dreaming the American Dream. Yet the bearers feel light on their feet. almost aerodynamic. The air has cooled a bit. All the lost children, uncanny mixtures of chaos and grace, have been found.

treatment for powder burns and walked away from the scene.

In fact, Helms seems to have gotten the worst of it in the melee that police say ensued after the gunshot. According to the police account, Helms was beaten (by others at the scene and) transported to Prince Georges County General Hospital with a broken leg. lacterated eyes, and possible broken ribs.

Helm's attorney. Victor Houlon, said that Helms was defending himself from a robbery attempt, and that Helms has pleaded not guilty to the reduced charge of assault and battery. He added that Helms was originally charged with assault with intent to murder at the time of his arrest because "at first the police) listen to everybody, and then like good police officers, they do their homework, and they find out what really happened."

Helms will be given a bench (non-jury) trial on August 2 in District Court in Hyattsville, according to the State's Attorney's

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